



# Integrated Waste Management

## Rock Creek Landfill Phase III Information

Calaveras County Integrated Waste Management (IWM) is a well planned and comprehensive solid waste system, which includes full service, 7 – day per week landfill operations, municipal recycling facility and 6 transfer stations, strategically placed within 10 miles from each community.

### The Benefits to Calaveras County

- The County owns the critical solid waste infrastructure which allows it to manage costs and not be controlled by a private business to provide an essential public service.
- Safe and sustainable waste management is a public health imperative. The County is committed to taking responsibility and provide it at the lowest possible cost.
- IWM is committed to provide recycling collection, and waste disposal services to all community members via cost neutral operations. The county does not profit from the residents' need to manage waste.

### Phase III Expansion

Rock Creek Landfill opened in 1990 and is permitted for 5 phases. The Phase III expansion, currently under construction, has an estimated life of 25 years. With proper planning and management of disposal rates, it is predicted that Rock Creek will serve our communities for 75+ more years.

### Planning for the Future

To support future phase expansions, Calaveras County IWM has maintained a Solid Waste Capital Improvement Fund since 1990 to provide the community with critical landfill development for future growth.

IWM has been operating from revenue generated by parcel fees that have not increased in 32 years, requiring utilization of remaining reserves.

IWM operates as an enterprise fund. It is a fiduciary responsibility for Parcel Fees to be evaluated regularly to ensure all services are fully funded to provide residents with the lowest possible cost of service.

### Working for Our Residents & Businesses

Approximately 75% of Calaveras residents self – haul their solid waste to one of the County owned transfer stations. Use of the transfer stations and landfill is included in the annual parcel fee.

- Over 4,000 residents visit the Rock Creek Landfill **monthly**.
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Calaveras County IWM brings value to the members of our communities. We work hard to ensure that all disposal needs are considered, at a cost that is affordable for each family, business and institution.

We are proud of our system and recognize the forethought of our predecessors in creating a system that speaks to the rural and unique nature of our county.